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WORLD BANK STUDY ON RIVER DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank Study has suggested setting up of River Basin Development Authority and upstream storage of water to overcome growing problem of silt in Himalayan Rivers;

(b) if so, the details of the study; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c) River Basin Development Optimization Study has been carried out by the World Bank at the request of Government of Himachal Pradesh and Government of Uttarakhand. The draft recommendations of the Study include numerous recommendations and suggestions to enable hydropower development in India to move towards river basin level planning design operation. The concerned State Governments have not sent their views on the report to Ministry of Water Resources.